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and cause a beam of devotional and religious feeling to sparkle on every object in which we find irresistible evidences of an overruling and an all creating and sustaining Power.

ART. VIII. — *New England Historical and Genealogical Register*. Vols. I. — X. Boston: S. G. Drake.

“‘I SAY,’ the lad resumed, after a pause.

“‘Say what you say,’ said the father.

“‘Is that all true what’s in the peerage, — in the baronetage, about Uncle Newcome and Newcome; about the Newcome who was burned at Smithfield; and the old, old Newcome who was bar — that is, who was surgeon to Edward the Confessor, and was killed at Hastings? I am afraid it is n’t; and yet I should like it to be true.’

“‘I think every man would like to come of an ancient and honorable race,’ said the Colonel, in his honest way. ‘As you like your father to be an honorable man, why not your grandfather, and his ancestors before him? But if we can’t inherit a good name, at least we can do our best to leave one, my boy; and that is an ambition which, please God, you and I will both hold by.’”

It was in this manner that Colonel Newcome and his boy Clive discussed the subject of pedigree; and surely if so vigilant a foe to nonsense as Jeems Yellowplush treats our pride of ancestry thus tenderly, there is but little danger in avowing our taste for the noble and gentle science of heraldry and genealogy.

It seems at first sight a positive misnomer to speak of American genealogy. What, in this land; of equality, where every man is as good as every other, can it be possible that any man believes his ancestors to have been greater and better than himself and his friends? It is even so; for as no man ever rejoices in the fact that his grandfather made his exit with a hempen collar upon his neck, it is to be presumed that an author is satisfied with his new-found relatives before he introduces them to the notice of the public. In proof of this satisfaction, we have but to look at any of the well-known Genealogies now in print, to recognize the fact that a gover-

nor, a general, or even a "colonel of militia," is a source of pride and self-complacency to every one of the same name, even to the remotest limits of cousinship.

We have had indeed no Norman barons to head our pedigrees, but we have our Conquest, and all New England claims descent from the Pilgrims of the Mayflower. We have had no peerage and no landed gentry; but our Governors and Assistants have dignified certain families with an hereditary claim to respect. Virginia has her first families; New York her Patroons and names of ancient honor; and New England has had Winthrops, Wyllyses, Adamses, and Phillipses, leaders by ancestral prescription in politics and society. Theoretical equality and practical exclusiveness have pervaded New England ever since the Puritans set foot on its shores. No plantation was too small to have its governor (witness Roger Conant),—no town too insignificant to furnish its dignitaries of the church and the train-band. Fruitful in strife was the seating of the congregation in the village church, "due regard to rank being observed"; and great the elation of the captain or lieutenant at receiving the title which he punctiliously retained till death. Our very graveyards testify to merit like that of Humphrey Atherton and Reinold Marvin.

After this preamble as to the tastes of our forefathers, it will seem the less strange that the number of family records, or genealogical monographs, now extant in print, is much larger in America than in aristocratic England. In England, indeed, there are yearly editions of peerages and baronetages, which from their nature contain endless repetitions; but the number of family memorials is much smaller than in New England. How many there are, who have always classed genealogy and heraldry among the most senseless and offensive exhibitions of feudal pride! But since sober and practical America is the largest present producer, there must be in these documents some hidden elements of interest and profit which have not presented themselves to the literary public.

Our quotation from Thackeray gives the true light in which practical men regard this matter. Smith in England says: "I am only a soap-boiler; but more peerages in England have come from the boiler than the sword. If I write my name

Smythe, and improvise a neat crest for my note-paper, I think my fortune would not savor too strongly of its origin, even in London." Cisatlantic Smith says: "John Smith was the hero-founder of Virginia; I guess my pedigree will prove passable, if *properly* investigated." Smith, the parvenu, knows more of stocks in Wall Street, than of his own ancestral trunk, properly displayed on a smooth sheet of parchment. Smith cannot write a book; but his cousin of the same name, some starving minister, or briefless barrister, can. Smith the rich and Smith the poor enter into a limited copartnership of money and brains, and ere many months the friends of the family rejoice in the present ("with the author's regards") of a resplendent, hot-pressed octavo, on "The ancient and honorable Family of Smith, proving their descent from Tubal-Cain, with many interesting particulars concerning the House of Smith, now in possession of the Earldom of D——, the allied House of Smithson,—the family-name of the Dukes of N——, and that eminent voyager, Captain John Smith." Then follows, in the smallest type, "Also the record of the descendants of John Smith of Boston, *anno* 1635." Now this record shall be every word of it true, the glorious coats-of-arms of D—— and N—— shall flaunt on every page, and persons seeing the Earl of D——, a Smith, on one page, and John Smith, Esq., of New York, ex-candidate for the Presidency, etc., on another, will be convinced of some mysterious but intimate relationship between them; so that the name of Smith is accordingly glorified throughout the land. This is only one of the many methods in which genealogies have been ushered into light; but it is a fair exponent of some of our books.

On the other hand, some men have written their books because they loved to clear the moss from decaying, mouldering monuments. They have rejoiced in extending the bounds of recognized kindred, because their hearts and sympathies were large enough to embrace a host of friends. When we see such a work, we must confess a willingness to pardon a little vanity, in consideration of its tendency to draw closer the sacred ties of blood, and its contempt of the influence of the forms of society in fostering a false shame for poor relatives and "country cousins."

With this introduction, we offer the following list of such of the genealogies that have appeared in print in this country as we have been able to discover.

Families.	Authors.	Publishers.	Place of Publication.	Date.
Abbot	A. and E. Abbot	J. Munroe & Co.	Boston	1847
Adam	Wm. Adam	J. Munsel	Albany	
Adams and Quincy }	Memoranda concern-			
Ames }	ing those families.		Havana	
Appleton	Richard Ames		Easton	1851
Bellows	S. A. Jewett		Boston	1850
Bowdoin	H. W. Bellows	J. A. Gray	New York	1855
	(See Temple.)			
Brown		H. H. Brown	Providence	1851
Chapman	F. W. Chapman	Case, Tiffany, & Co.	Hartford	1854
Clark (and three others) }	Miss Sarah Robinson		Bennington	1837
Cushman	H. W. Cushman	Little, Brown, & Co.	Boston	1855
Dane	John Dean	S. G. Drake	do.	1854
Davenport	A. B. Davenport	S. W. Benedict	New York	1851
Day, 1st ed.				
Day, 2d ed.		J. S. Metcalf	Northampton	1848
Deane	W. R. Deane	Coolidge and Wiley	Boston	1849
Dodd	Stephen Dodd			1839
Drake	S. G. Drake	S. G. Drake	Boston	1845
Dudley	Dean Dudley	D. Dudley	do.	1848
Eliot	Wm. S. Porter	G. B. Bassett & Co.	New Haven	1854
Farrar		S. G. Drake	Boston	1850
Foote	Nathaniel Goodwin	Case, Tiffany, & Co.	Hartford	1854
Frost			Phila. (?)	? 1853
Gilbert	J. W. Thornton		Boston	1850
Goodhue	S. Goodhue			1845
Greenleaf	J. Greenleaf	E. O. Jenkins	New York	1854
Hall	W. H. Whitmore	J. Wilson & Co.	Boston	1855
Harwood	(See Clark.)			
Haven, 1st ed.		S. A. Dickinson	Boston	1844
do. 2d ed.		E. Howe	do.	1849
Herrick	J. Herrick	S. S. Smith	Bangor	1846
Hodges, 1st ed.	Rufus Hodges		Cincinnati	1837
do. 2d ed.	A. D. Hodges	Dutton & Wentworth	Boston	1853
Houghton		J. W. Bell	New York	1848
Kilbourn	P. K. Kilbourn	Brown and Parsons	Hartford	1845
Laurence	John Lawrence		Boston (?)	1847
Lawrence, 1st ed.	F. S. Pease	J. Munsell	Albany	1848
do. 2d ed.	do.	do.	do.	1853
Leavitt	James Torrey	W. H. Waldron	Lewiston	1853
Lee	W. H. Hill	Weed, Parsons, & Co.	Albany	1851
Leland	S. Leland	Wier and White	Boston	1850
Locke	John G. Locke	J. Munroe & Co.	do.	1853
Marvin	T. R. Marvin	T. R. Marvin	do.	1848
Mather	John Mather	Elihu Geer	Hartford	1848
Moody	C. C. P. Moody	S. G. Drake	Boston	1847
Morse	Abner Morse	Wm. Veazie	do.	1850
Mygatt	F. T. Mygatt		Brooklyn	1853
Nash	Sylvester Nash	Case, Tiffany, & Co.	Hartford	1853
Olcott	Nathaniel Goodwin	do.	do.	1845

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Piper	S. Piper	Dutton & Wentworth	Boston	1849
Prentice	C. J. F. Binney		do.	1852
Rawson	S. S. Rawson		do.	1849
Redfield	J. S. Redfield	J. S. Redfield	New York	1839
Riddell	W. P. Riddell	{ John F. Trow, } { printer, N. Y. }	N. Orleans	1852
Robinson	(See Clark)			
Safford	do.			
Sears			Cambridge	1855
Sharples	Joseph Sharpless	J. Sharpless	Philadelphia	1816
Shippen	Thomas Balch	Crissey and Markley	do.	1855
Smith	L. W. Leonard & S. A. Smith	H. Kimball	Keene	1850
Smith		D. Bennett	Utica	1849
Spoffard	J. Spoffard	E. G. Frothingham	Haverhill	1851
Sprague, 1st ed.	Hosca Sprague		Hingham	1828
do. 2d ed.	R. Soule, jr.	J. Munroe & Co.	Boston	1847
Stetson	J. S. Barry	Wm. A. Hall & Co.	do.	1847
Stoddard		Coolidge and Wiley	do.	1849
Sumner	Wm. H. Sumner	S. G. Drake	do.	1854
Swett	J. W. Thornton		Roxbury	1851
Taintor	C. M. Taintor	Meriam and Mirick	Greenfield	1847
Temple	W. H. Whitmore	Dutton & Wentworth	Boston	1856
Thayer and } 13 others }	E. Thayer	J. Farmer	Hingham	1835
Thomas				
Turner	J. Turner	D. Turner, jr.	Boston	1852
Upham	A. G. Upham	Asa McFarland	Concord	1845
Ward	A. H. Ward	S. G. Drake	Boston	1851
Warren	J. C. Warren	J. Wilson & Son	do.	1854
Webster	Noah Webster		N. Haven (?)	1836
Wells	Albert Welles	Narine & Co.	New York	1848
Wentworth		S. G. Drake	Boston	1850
Whitman	E. Whitman	C. Day & Co.	Portland	1832
Whitmore	W. H. Whitmore	J. Wilson & Son	Boston	1855
Whitmore (Eng.)	W. H. Whitmore	J. Wilson & Son	do.	1856
Whittlesey		Whittlesey Ass.	N. Haven (?)	1855
Wight	D. P. Wight	T. K. Marvin	Boston	1848
Williams	S. W. Williams	Meriam and Mirick	Greenfield	1847
Winsor	Olney Winsor	L. W. Winsor	Providence	1847
Woodman		J. Coffin	Newburyport	1855
Yale	Elihu Yale	Stone and Stone	New Haven	1850

Of the preceding works the following *résumé* may be given. The Abbot Genealogy contains much information in an inconveniently condensed form. The Adams and Quincy Memoranda is a little work printed in Havana, and of such scarcity that we have seen but two copies. The Appleton is a beautiful work, especially rich in the English portion. The Bellows is principally occupied with an account of a family meeting, but has also a valuable pedigree annexed. The Bowdoin is a reprint, with corrections and additions, from the Genealogical Register. The Chapman is a handsome and learned volume

of 413 pages. The Clark is a little pamphlet, very scarce and curious. The Cushman is the largest and most laborious Genealogy yet in print, and most truly an honor to all of the name. The Dane and Deane are reprints from the Register. The Davenport is not clearly arranged, but contains much information concerning the early English branches of the family, not elsewhere to be found. The Dodd is a reprint from the East Haven Register. The Drake has become a standard work for the clearness and completeness of its plan. The Dudley and Eliot are interesting, but not so extensive as it is desirable they should be. The Farrar and Gilbert are reprints from the Register. The Foote and Olcott are the work of the late Nathaniel Goodwin of Hartford, and stand pre-eminent for accuracy; in which respect they are not approached by the works of any other genealogist. The Hall is a reprint from the History of Medford. To the Havens may be added an Address delivered at a family meeting in Framingham, by Hon. John C. Park. The Houghton contains the report of a messenger sent to England to investigate the antecedents of the name. The Kilbourn unfortunately had the greater part of the edition destroyed by fire, but a new edition will soon be in print. The Lawrence, by John Lawrence, contains the Watertown, Lexington, and Groton families of the name; that by Mr. Pease contains the descendants of Isaac Lawrence. The Leland Magazine is illustrated with many portraits, and includes many female branches; the plan, however, is not pronounced the best. The Locke may compete for the palm with the Cushman, and is undoubtedly the more valuable in a genealogical point of view, as containing very many female branches; it is a wonderful monument of industry and skill. The Marvin is chiefly the same as the account published in Hinman's Settlers. The Mather is a mere sketch. Of the Morse, Moody, Nash, Prentice, and Rawson, it is sufficient to say that they are extensive, careful, and highly creditable works. The Mygatt is a beautifully printed and complete record of a family of high standing in Connecticut for two centuries. The Sharples is perhaps the earliest genealogy extant, and is the record of a Quaker family,—certainly a great curiosity. The Whittlesey was published under the charge of a committee of the Whittlesey Association.

The Warren is the most magnificent work yet printed in this department of history, and, while it proves a most illustrious English ancestry, also embalms the memory of the patriot Joseph Warren. A more illustrious name cannot adorn the pages of any genealogy.

Besides these volumes and pamphlets, various other genealogies have seen the light in a different form. Our town histories have generally had appendices relating to the families settled within their limits, and of these we may especially mention the Histories of Duxbury, Scituate, Concord, Newbury, Medford, Salem, Boston, Shrewsbury, Glastonbury, and New Ipswich. The History of Westchester County, N. Y., contains many valuable pedigrees. There have also been Genealogical Registers of Bridgewater, East Haven, Shrewsbury (a reprint), and Litchfield. Of general and extensive registers, we have Farmer's Early Settlers in New England, — a new edition of which, much enlarged and improved, by Hon. James Savage, has been for some time a promised *bonne bouche* to genealogists, — Bond's Watertown Settlers, a truly immense publication, Hinman's Connecticut Settlers, first and second editions, and Holgate's American Genealogies, devoted principally to New York families. Bridgman has published collections of epitaphs from the Connecticut Valley, and from Copps Hill and King's Chapel burying-grounds, Boston; and the lamented Harris, the epitaphs in the Cambridge burying-ground. Memoirs and funeral sermons abound in countless multitudes, and country papers have rendered valuable aid in publishing town records. One book on Heraldry has appeared, written by Gwilt Mapleson, Esq., of New York, and printed in a beautiful form; and Boston can boast of a work on Surnames, by B. Homer Dixon, Esq., recently printed for private circulation. We may also add, that the Shattuck Genealogy is now passing through the press, and that the genealogies of the families of Rice, Leverett, and Usher are in an advanced stage of preparation.

There is at present but one Genealogical Magazine published in the United States, namely, "The New England Historical and Genealogical Register," issued quarterly, in Boston, by S. G. Drake. It is edited under the care of a

committee of the New England Historical and Genealogical Society, and entered with the present year upon its tenth volume. Its range embraces all American genealogy, and also every kind of information likely to be of service to the compiler of family records. It has already attained an age unprecedented in the annals of such publications, and, with the present increasing taste for historical pursuits, it promises fair to continue another decade. To ascribe to it a very potent influence in arousing the present interest in genealogy will seem to be but justice, when we consider that it numbers among its contributors a large proportion of the authors mentioned in the preceding table, and that a still greater number are members of the Society of which this Magazine is the organ. A list is subjoined of the principal genealogies and pedigrees which have appeared on its pages.

Adams	Jan., 1853	Doolittle	July, 1852
Addington	April, 1850	Dudley	Jan., 1847
Allerton	July, 1854	Endecott	July, 1847
Ashley	Oct., 1848	Farmer	Jan., 1847
Balch	July, 1855	Farrar	Oct., 1852
Bangs	Oct., 1854	Foote	July, 1855
Bowles	April, 1848	Foster	Oct., 1847
Boylston	April, 1853	Franklin	Oct., 1854
Bradford	Jan., 1850	Frost	Jan., 1849
Bradstreet	Oct., 1854	Frye	July, 1854
Bridges	July, 1854	Gachet	Oct., 1847
Brooks	July, 1851	Gilbert	July, 1850
Butler	April, 1847	Gookin	Oct., 1847
Carpenter	Jan., 1855	Greene	Jan., 1850
Chase	Jan., 1847	Hancock	Oct., 1855
Checkley	Oct., 1848	Harjis	April, 1848
Chipman	Jan., 1850	Haynes	Oct., 1855
Coffin	Oct., 1848	Hobbs	July, 1855
Cotton	April, 1847	Howe	Jan., 1850
Cradock	April, 1855	Huntington	Oct., 1847
Danforth	Oct., 1853	Jenks	July, 1855
Dane	April, 1854	Johnson	Oct., 1854
Davenport	April, 1850	Johonnot	April, 1852
Deane	Jan., 1849	Jones	July, 1852
Dearborn	Jan., 1848	Josselyn	July, 1848

Leonard	Oct., 1851	Spofford	Oct., 1854
Leverett	Oct., 1850	Stebbins	Jan., 1851
Lindall	Jan., 1853	Stoughton	July, 1851
Litchfield	April, 1855	Sumner	April, 1854
Mascarene	July, 1855	Swett	Jan., 1852
Mather	Jan., 1852	Taintor	April, 1849
Metcalf	April, 1852	Talbot	April, 1855
Minot	April, 1847	Tully	April, 1849
Oates	April, 1852	Turner	April, 1853
Otis	July, 1848	Vane	April, 1848
Parsons	April, 1847	Varnum	Jan., 1851
Peabody	April, 1848	Waldron	Jan., 1854
Pearce	July, 1852	Walter	July, 1854
Pease	Jan., 1849	Ware	April, 1852
Peters	Jan., 1848	Washington	Oct., 1852
Prince	Oct., 1851	Webster	April, 1855
Rawson	July, 1849	Weld	Oct., 1853
Ricker	July, 1851	Wentworth	Oct., 1850
Rogers	April, 1851	Willet	Oct., 1848
Rolfe	April, 1849	Winslow	Oct., 1850
Rollins	July, 1854	Wolcott	July, 1847
Shapleigh	July, 1851	Wright	Oct., 1850
Sherburne	April, 1855	Wyman	Jan., 1849